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SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This substitute amendment is submitted to replace the amendment filed (electronically) earlier today. Specifically, in this substitute response, claim 41 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 29 (from which it depends) in order to place claim 41 in proper independent form.

The Office Action mailed October 11, 2006, has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.